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#### We Have the Power

100 Percent Renewable Energy for a Clean, Thriving South Jennette Gayer August 3, 2016

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We must – and can – transition to 100 percent renewable energy.

## Why We Must

Paris climate conference: 195 nations agree to limit global warming to 2° C.

U.S. must reduce greenhouse gas emissions by at least 80% by mid-century.



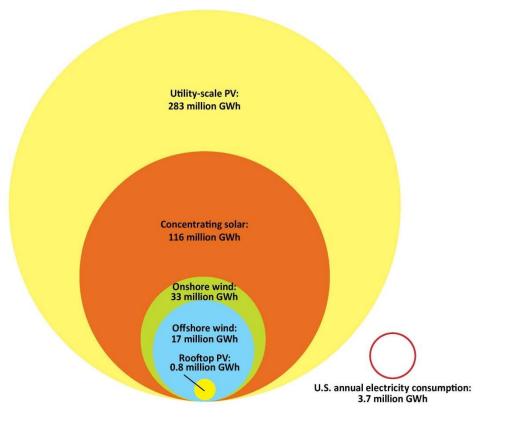
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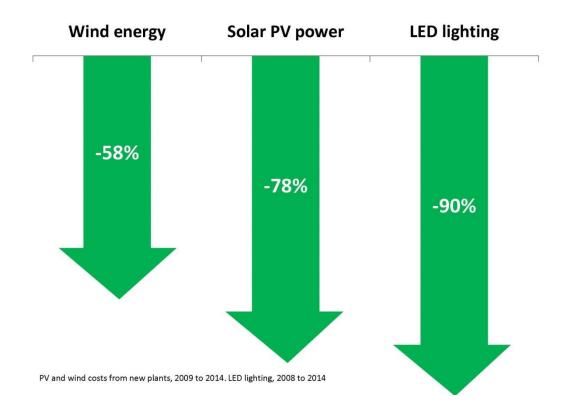


#### 100% renewable energy transition eliminates environmental/public health damage of fossil fuels

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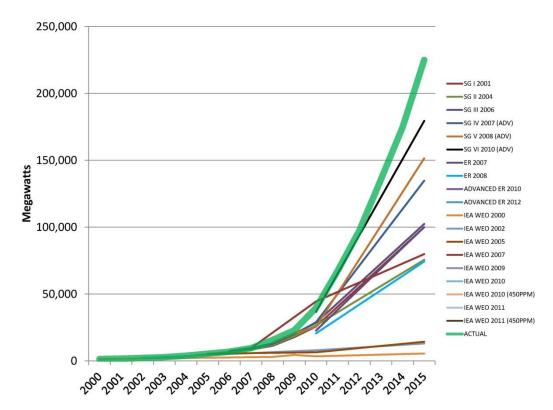


America's renewable energy potential is virtually limitless.



# Key renewable energy technologies are improving rapidly and falling in price.

Lazard, *Lazard's Levelized Cost of Electricity Analysis – Version 8.0*, September 2014; U.S. Department of Energy, *Revolution...Now: The Future Arrives for Five Clean Energy Technologies – 2015 Update*, November 2015.



Solar energy has been growing faster than projected worldwide.

Sven Teske et al., *Energy [R]evolution: A Sustainable World Energy Outlook 2015,* Greenpeace International, Global Wind Energy Council, Solar PowerEurope, September 2015.

 Studies by government agencies, academics and non-profits have shown that it is feasible for the United States to shift much or all of its energy demand to renewable energy by midcentury.

#### Table ES-1. High Renewable Energy Scenarios for United States

Author	Year Published	Scope	Timing	Percentage Renewable	Energy Sources Included
MacDonald, et al. <sup>2</sup>	2016	Electricity, U.S.	2030	~63% (low cost renewables case)	wind, solar, hydropower (plus nuclear and gas)
Jacobson, et al. <sup>3</sup>	2015	All energy, U.S.	2050	100%	efficiency, wind, solar, geothermal, tide, wave, hydropower
Greenpeace <sup>4</sup>	2015	All energy, global	2050	100%	efficiency, wind, solar, geothermal, biomass, ocean, hydropower, hydrogen, synfuels
Williams, et al.⁵	2015	Electricity*	2050	>80% (High Renewables case)	wind, solar, geothermal, hydropower
Budischak, et al. <sup>6</sup>	2013	Part of U.S. electric grid	2030	100%	wind, solar, energy storage
National Renewable Energy Laboratory <sup>7</sup>	2012	Electricity	2050	80%	wind, solar, geothermal, hydropower, biomass
WWF <sup>8</sup>	2011	All energy, global	2050	~100%	efficiency, wind, solar, geothermal, biomass, wave & tidal (small pct. of residual fossil fuels)

\* High renewables case also included replacement of 83% of gas fuels with biomass and hydrogen and reduction in solid fossil fuels use.

#### We Already Are



## **Guiding Principles**

- Maximize energy efficiency.
- Build new renewable energy facilities.
- Electrify.
- Modernize the electricity grid.
- Keep fossil fuels in the ground.

# Georgia's Trajectory

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